GCMRC

Mobilizing and Training Citizens to Help Safeguard Our Communities and Our Families

Join Our Team!

The GCMRC is a group of local health care professionals and other serviceminded citizens who are ready to:

- Make a difference
- Know what to do in an emergency
- Receive training
- Receive Public Health Alerts

Whether it's a medical emergency, natural disaster, terrorist incident — or even a routine immunization clinic — OUR VOLUNTEERS WILL BE TRAINED AND READY TO SUPPORT OUR LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT!

Gloucester County Medical Reserve Corps www.njmrc.nj.gov

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Gloucester County Medical Reserve Corps (GCMRC)

Q. What is the GCMRC?

A. The GCMRC enhances the County's emergency preparedness by ensuring that a trained group of healthcare professionals and community volunteers are ready to respond to public health emergencies. The MRC will help distribute antibiotics or vaccine during an emergency. This initiative is part of a federal and state program to help support local area needs.

Q. Who can volunteer?

A. Anyone with an interest in public health issues. We need licensed or certified health care professionals, practicing or retired, living or working in Gloucester County. We also need community volunteers such as interpreters, chaplains, social workers and support staff.



Q. What are the benefits to my

community?

A. Major health emergencies can overwhelm resources during the first 12 to 72 hours. Citizens who are trained and prepared to take care of themselves, their family and others will ensure that our community

is safer, stronger and better prepared.

You and your family will also be a part of the First Responder Medication Distribution Plan, and will receive prophylactic medications during the initial distribution phase.

Q. If I volunteer, what is the time commitment?

A. Members should respond rapidly to communications from the MRC and respond to emergencies when notified. As a MRC volunteer you will decide how much time you are able to commit to each event. Your service is entirely voluntary and is covered by the New Jersey Emergency Health Powers Act during a declared emergency.

Q. Will I be trained?

A. GCMRC volunteers must complete 8 core

courses within one year of joining. These courses are: Incident Command System 100/National Incident Management System 700, Psychological First Aid, Family Preparedness, Personal Protective Equipment and Fit Testing, Bioterrorism 101, Chemical and Radiological Awareness, Point of Distribution

Management and Orientation to Public Health. Volunteers can submit certificates from trainings they have attended outside the GCMRC and receive credit for that course. Regular trainings are offered during the year, online classes for many topics are also available. Don't be intimidated we will help you to receive the proper training you need!

How do I apply?

You can register online to become a member, by going to: www.njmrc.nj.gov

Click on Online Application.

Select Gloucester County MRC Unit

Complete the on-line application.

or

If you do not have access to a computer, please contact GCHD for assistance at 856-218-4106.

We need volunteers both with or without medical experience